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SUBJECT: BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT AGREES TO TWO YEAR RENEWAL OF FRAMEWORK
AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION ON PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

REF: 2009 BRASILIA 1510

[¶1.](#) On January 7, 2010, Embassy Brasilia received diplomatic note
number MRE/DMAE/DAI/CGEUC/01/MESP BRAS EUA, dated January 5 2010.

[¶2.](#) The note is a response to Embassy Brasilia's diplomatic note
443, dated December 10, 2009, proposing a two-year extension of the
U.S.-Brazil Framework Agreement on Cooperation on Peaceful Uses of
Outer Space. The Brazilian response accepts the offer and confirms
that the extension became effective on January 5, 2010.

[¶3.](#) An informal translation of the Brazilian note follows. Per the
request of OES/SAT, Post is forwarding, via pouch, a copy of Post's
diplomatic note 443 and the original Brazilian response. OES/SAT
is arranging for a formal translation, which when completed, will
be forwarded along with the diplomatic notes to L/T.

[¶4.](#) INFORMAL TRANSLATION

BEGIN TRANSLATION

MRE/DMAE/DAI/CGEUC/1/MESP BRAS EUA

January 5, 2010

Dear Charg????,

I have the honor to refer to Diplomatic Note 443, dated December
10, 2009, of which wording in Portuguese is as follows:

"Your Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Framework Agreement between the
Government of the United States of America and the Government of
the Federative Republic of Brazil on Cooperation in the Peaceful
Uses of Outer Space, signed at Brasilia March 1, 1996, as extended
(hereinafter referred to as "the 1996 Agreement").

I am pleased to recognize the significant achievements in cooperative activities in space of the two Governments under the 1996 Agreement, and to express the desire of the United States that their mutually beneficial relationship continues.

Accordingly, noting that the 1996 Agreement is currently set to expire on January 31, 2010, I, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, have the honor to propose that the 1996 Agreement, consistent with Article 13 thereof, be extended for an additional two years, through January 31, 2012.

I further propose that if this arrangement is acceptable to the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil, this Note and your affirmative reply shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments to extend the 1996 Agreement, which shall enter into force on the date of your reply Note, with effect from January 31, 2010.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Lisa Kubiske

Chargé d'Affaires, a.i.

Embassy of the United States of America

Brasília, December 10, 2009."

In light of the importance of the referred Agreement for the development of the bilateral space cooperation between Brazil and the United States, I have the honor to accept Your Excellency's proposal to extend it, and to confirm our understanding that Your Excellency's Diplomatic Note, together with this response Note, constitute the Agreement between our two Governments for the extension of the referenced Framework Agreement until January 31, 2012, that will enter into force on the date of the signature of this Note.

I take this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the expression of my highest consideration.

(SIGNATURE)

Ruy Nunes Pinto Nogueira

Interim State Minister of External Relations

END TRANSLATION

15. Any questions regarding this issue should be directed to Jeremy Long, Science Officer, U.S. Embassy Brasilia.
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